**BEFORE** 

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 90-116-E - ORDER NO. 90-628

June 20, 1990

IN RE: Application of South Carolina Electric )
and Gas Company for Proposed Extension ) ORDER SETTING
of Service in Aiken County ) ORAL ARGUMENTS

On May 18, 1990, South Carolina Electric and Gas Company (SCE&G) filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) a request to amend its filing of February 15, 1990, in the above-captioned docket. SCE&G's filing of February 15, 1990, requested approval, pursuant to Section 103-304(1) of the Commission's regulations, for the extension of an existing distribution line in Aiken County across territory assigned to Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc. That request concerned a line necessary to provide electric service to Stratford Hall, a residential subdivision within the city limits of Aiken. A hearing on the Application in this matter has been scheduled for July 25, 1990.

Another subdivision in the area called Woodside Plantation, Phase II has also asked for electric service from SCE&G. In addition to this, SCE&G is being asked to provide service to a sewer lift station to be operated by the City of Aiken.

SCE&G requests permission to amend its February 15, 1990 filling in the above captioned docket to request approval pursuant to Regulation 103-304(1) of the line to be built to serve Woodside Plantation, Phase II. The new line would be built from the Company's existing line on South Carolina Highway 19. It would be built along SCE&G's existing transmission line which crosses South Carolina Highway 19 and remain entirely within an existing transmission right-of-way while crossing the assigned territory of Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc. Construction power for the subdivision will be required on or about August 1, 1990.

Pursuant to Regulation 103-301(3), the Company also requests partial waiver of the requirements of Regulation 103-304(1) as they apply to the distribution line for Woodside Plantation, Phase II. The line in question will also serve a sewer lift station which although located within Woodside Plantation serves homes in Stratford Hall subdivision. Occupancy permits for those homes will be required in September 1990. They cannot be obtained until electric service is established to the sewer lift station. Accordingly, SCE&G requests that the Commission, pursuant to Regulation 103-301(3), waive the requirement of prior Commission approval for construction of the line required to serve the sewer lift station. SCE&G requests this waiver pending final resolution of any proceedings concerning the approval of this line on the merits. SCE&G expressly agrees to remove the line in question if upon final resolution of these proceedings, the approval requested has been denied.

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The Commission finds that it should hear oral arguments from the parties on this Petition before issuing its ruling. Oral arguments will be held on June 26, 1990, at 2:30 p.m., in the offices of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman W. Maas

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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